Mountaintop Experience

Mark 9:1-32

REALife Application

LESSONS FROM THE MOUNTAINTOP

Mountaintop experiences...

• Are divine <u>invitations/appointments</u>

Our part is to be captivated

Our part is to be available

2 Don't <u>last forever</u>

We try and freeze the moment

We really have a lack of trust

We try and chase after an experience

• Are a catalyst for growth & perspective

You see death differently

You see others differently

You see yourself differently

- 1. Read this week's passage. What happened at the mountain? What important lesson do you think Jesus was trying to teach his disciples?
- 2. What is a "mountaintop experience" spiritually speaking? Why do you think God gives us these?
- 3. What was your last mountaintop experience with God? What did you learn from that experience? How have you applied it to or used it in your life since then?
- 4. Have you been able to use a mountaintop experience to minister to someone else? If so, how?
- 5. Peter wanted to set up a tent and stay on the mountain, but God had greater things planned. Read Psalm 84:5-7. What does it mean to have our hearts set on pilgrimage (v.5)? Do you live this way?
- 6. Many of us desire "spiritual heights" more than we desire God. Do you have a hard time following and obeying the Lord when you don't "feel" like it? When the emotions aren't there? If so, what type of things can you do to change your attitude? If not, how is it that you can obey regardless of emotions?

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